

PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT SUBMISSION

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<p>1. Agency/Subagency originating request U.S. Department of Education Office of Communications and Outreach</p>	<p>2. OMB control number: b. <input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>a. <u>1860-0506</u></p>
<p>3. Type of information collection (check one):</p> <p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> New Collection</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Revision of a currently approved collection</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extension of a currently approved collection</p> <p>d. <input type="checkbox"/> Reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired</p> <p>e. <input type="checkbox"/> Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired</p> <p>f. <input type="checkbox"/> Existing collection in use without an OMB control number</p>	<p>4. Type of review requested (check one):</p> <p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regular <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency – Approval request by:</p> <p>c. <input type="checkbox"/> Delegated</p> <p>5. Small entities: Will this information collection have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>6. Requested expiration date:</p> <p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three years from the approval date b. <input type="checkbox"/> _____</p>
<p><i>For b-f, note Item A2 of Supporting Statement instructions</i></p>	
<p>7. Title Application: National Blue Ribbon School Program</p>	
<p>8. Agency form number(s) (if applicable): NA</p>	
<p>9. Keywords: National Blue Ribbon Schools, Recognition, Improved student performance, Narrowing achievement gaps</p>	
<p>10. Abstract: The National Blue Ribbon Schools Program honors public and private elementary, middle and high schools where students achieve at high levels or where the achievement gap is narrowing among all student subgroups. Each year since 1982, the U.S. Department of Education (ED) has sought out schools where students attain and maintain high academic goals, including those that beat the odds. The Program, part of a larger ED effort to identify and disseminate knowledge about best school leadership and teaching practices, is authorized by Public Law 107-110 (January 8, 2002), Part D—Fund for the Improvement of Education, Subpart 1, Sec. 5411(b)(5).</p>	
<p>11. Affected public (Mark primary with "P" and all others that apply with "X")</p> <p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> Individuals or households d. <input type="checkbox"/> Farms</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Businesses or other for-profit e. <input type="checkbox"/> Federal Government</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not-for-profit institutions f. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State, Local, or Tribal Government</p>	<p>12. Obligation to respond (Mark primary with "P" and all others that apply with "X")</p> <p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> Voluntary</p> <p>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Required to obtain or retain benefits</p> <p>c. <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory</p>
<p>13. Annual reporting and recordkeeping hour burden:</p> <p>a. Number of respondents <u>413</u></p> <p>b. Total annual responses <u>413</u></p> <p>1. Percentage of these responses collected electronically <u>100%</u></p> <p>c. Total annual hours requested <u>16,420</u></p> <p>d. Current OMB inventory <u>16,520</u></p> <p>e. Difference (+/-) <u>-100</u></p> <p>f. Explanation of difference</p> <p>1. Program change <u>-100</u></p> <p>2. Adjustment <u>0</u></p>	<p>14. Annual reporting and recordkeeping cost burden (in thousands of dollars):</p> <p>a. Total annualized capital/startup costs <u>0</u></p> <p>b. Total annual costs (O&M) <u>0</u></p> <p>c. Total annualized cost requested <u>0</u></p> <p>d. Current OMB inventory <u>0</u></p> <p>e. Difference (+/-) <u>0</u></p> <p>f. Explanation of difference</p> <p>1. Program change <u>0</u></p> <p>2. Adjustment <u>0</u></p>
<p>15. Purpose of information collection (Mark primary with "P" and all others that apply with "X"):</p> <p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application for benefits e. <input type="checkbox"/> Program planning or management</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Program evaluation f. <input type="checkbox"/> Research</p> <p>c. <input type="checkbox"/> General purpose statistics g. <input type="checkbox"/> Regulatory or compliance</p> <p>d. <input type="checkbox"/> Audit</p>	<p>16. Frequency of recordkeeping or reporting (check all that apply):</p> <p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> Recordkeeping b. <input type="checkbox"/> Third party disclosure</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reporting</p> <p>1. <input type="checkbox"/> On occasion 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly</p> <p>4. <input type="checkbox"/> Quarterly 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Semi-annually 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Annually</p> <p>7. <input type="checkbox"/> Biennially 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (describe) <u>Once</u></p>
<p>17. Statistical methods: Does this information collection employ statistical methods? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>Agency contact (person who can best answer questions regarding the content of this submission):</p> <p>Name: <u>Aba Kumi</u></p> <p>Phone No: <u>202-401-1767</u></p>

19. Certification for Paperwork Reduction Act Submissions:

On behalf of this Federal agency, I certify that the collection of information encompassed by this request complies with 5 CFR 1320.9.

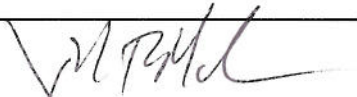
NOTE: The text of 5 CFR 1320.9, and the related provisions of 5 CFR 1320.8(b)(3), appear at the end of the instructions. *The certification is to be made with reference to those regulatory provisions as set forth in the instructions.*

The following is a summary of topics, regarding the proposed collection of information, that the certification covers:

- (a) It is necessary for the proper performance of agency functions;
- (b) It avoids unnecessary duplication;
- (c) It reduces burden on small entities;
- (d) It uses plain, coherent, and unambiguous language that is understandable to respondents;
- (e) Its implementation will be consistent and compatible with current reporting and recordkeeping practices;
- (f) It indicates the retention periods for recordkeeping requirements;
- (g) It informs respondents of the information called for under 5 CFR 1320.8(b)(3) about:
 - (i) Why the information is being collected;
 - (ii) Use of information;
 - (iii) Burden estimate;
 - (iv) Nature of response (voluntary, required for a benefit, or mandatory);
 - (v) Nature and extent of confidentiality; and
 - (vi) Need to display currently valid OMB control number;
- (h) It was developed by an office that has planned and allocated resources for the efficient and effective management and use of the information to be collected (see note in Item 19 of the instructions);
- (i) It uses effective and efficient statistical survey methodology (if applicable); and
- (j) It makes appropriate use of information technology.

If you are unable to certify compliance with any of these provisions, identify the item below and explain the reason in Item 18 of the Supporting Statement.

Signature of Senior Official or designee:



Date:

9/20/11